MEMORANDUM FOR: Distribution

FROM: W/OPS1 - Mark Paese (Acting)

SUBJECT: Expansion of Console Replacement System (CRS)

1. <u>Material Transmitted</u>:

Engineering Handbook No. 7 (EHB-7)Communications Equipment, Section 3.4, Modification Note 55 Revision B, Console Replacement System Output Channel Expansion (Large 5-channel to a Large 7-channel).

2. <u>Summary</u>:

Requests for Change AA770, AA771, and AA417-002 authorize CRS expansions for National Weather Forecast Offices (WFO) Omaha, Nebraska (OAX), Rapid City, South Dakota (UNR) and Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania (PBZ).

3. <u>Effect on Other Instructions</u>:

Modification Note 55 Revision B incorporates a change in Part 7 and adds WFOs OAX, UNR, and PBZ to the list of sites responsible for Modification Note 55, Revision A. Modification Note 55, Revision B supercedes previously released Modification Note 55, Revision A.

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COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT MODIFICATION NOTE 55 REVISION B

(for Electronics Technicians)

Maintenance Branch W/OPS12: GSS

SUBJECT : Console Replacement System (CRS) Output Channel Expansion

PURPOSE : To expand the capabilities of the CRS system from a Large 5-channel

to a Large 7-channel configuration.

SITES : <u>Site Name</u> <u>SID</u> <u>Org. Code</u> AFFECTED WFO Omaha, NE OAX WR9553

WFO Rapid City, SD UNR WR9662
WFO Pittsburgh, PA PBZ WN9917

EQUIPMENT : CRS (B440)

AFFECTED

PARTS REQUIRED : The parts required will be issued to each site by W/OPS12 from the

National Logistics Support Center under the applicable approved

site-specific Request for Change.

(3) DECtalk cards (ASN: B440-2A2A11)

(2) Audio switch module (ASM) cards (ASN: B440-2A6A3)

(3) DECtalk-ASM audio cables (ASN: B440-4W12)

(2) NOAA Weather Radio Specific Area Message Encoder (NWRSAME)-audio control panel (ACP) interface cables

(ASN: B440-1A5W4)

(1) DOS formatted diskette with CRS test database ASCII files

CRS test database ASCII files diskette provided by W/OPS12

(provided by W/OPS12)

PARTS SUPPLIED

BY THE SITE

The following parts shall be provided by the site:

(2) Transmitter audio output cables

(2) NWRSAME (if available)
Cable marking tags (as needed)

TOOLS AND

#1 and #2 Phillips screwdrivers

TEST EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

(see Parts Required)

Small flat-blade jeweler's screwdriver

Root mean square (RMS) voltmeter/dB meter 600-ohm dummy load with a RJ-11 plug attached

Anti-static workstation kit

TIME REQUIRED : 2 Hours

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EFFECT ON OTHER :

INSTRUCTIONS

Modification Note 55 Revision B incorporates a change in Part 7 and adds WFOs OAX, UNR, and PBZ to the list of sites responsible for Modification Note 55, Revision A. Modification Note 55, Revision B supercedes previously released Modification Note 55, Revision A.

AUTHORIZATION : The authorizations for these modifications are Requests for Change

AA770, AA771, and AA417-002.

VERIFICATION STATEMENT This procedure was tested and verified at National Weather Service

Headquarters, Silver Spring, Maryland (SLVM2).

GENERAL : The attachments in this procedure contain the instructions to add

output channel(s) to the CRS system.

PROCEDURE : Attachment **A** provides procedures for implementing this modification.

Attachment **B** (CRS Hardware Drawings) provides reference information. Attachment **C** provides verification of the new physical configuration

(used before applying power).

Attachment **D** provides a completed sample of WS Form A-26,

Maintenance Record.

REPORTING INSTRUCTIONS

Report the completed modification on a WS Form A-26 according to the instructions in Engineering Handbook No. 4 (EHB-4), Engineering Management Reporting System (EMRS), Part 2, and Appendix I.

Include the following information on the WS Form A-26:

a. An equipment code of CRSSA in block 7.

b. A serial number of 001 in block 8.

c. A modification number of **55B** in block 17a.

A sample WS Form A-26 is provided as attachment **D**.

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Attachment A - Modification Procedure

Attachment **B** - CRS Hardware Drawings

Attachment **C** - New Configuration Physical Verification Procedure

Attachment **D** - WS Form A-26 Sample

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Attachment A Modification Procedure

Attachment A Modification Procedure

Overview

This modification note provides instructions for expanding a Console Replacement System (CRS) from a Large 5-channel configuration to a Large 7-channel configuration. The modification procedure contains seven parts:

- 1. CRS Power-Down Procedures
- **2.** Equipment Upgrade Procedures
- **3.** CRS Power-Up Procedures
- **4.** CRS Login, Application Software Error Verification, and Test Database ASCII File Loading Procedures
- **5.** Post Hardware Expansion Channel Operability Verification Procedures
- 6. Adding New Transmitter Channels and Editing Site Database ASCII File Procedures
- **7.** CRS Alignment Procedures

NOTE: 1. Read the entire procedure, and verify receipt of all required parts before proceeding with the actual modification.

2. Coordinate with the operations staff before performing this procedure.

CAUTION

CRS must be down to perform the expansion modification. This modification contains test messages that should not be broadcast on any transmitter.

In addition, the database ASCII file will be recompiled, and all dictionary files will be lost! Switch to the backup NWR system, and ensure the dictionary files are backed up (see the *CRS System Administration Manual*) before performing this modification.

PART 1-CRS POWER-DOWN PROCEDURES

- 1.1 CRS Application Shutdown Procedure
 - 1. Click the **System** menu, and click **Stop System**.
 - 2. Wait until all icons on the CRS System Status menu turn red.

1.2 UNIX Shutdown Procedure

NOTE: 1. The shutdown of the CRS application is just one task to be completed before the graceful power-down. After stopping the CRS application software, implement a "controlled/orderly UNIX shutdown with NO automatic reboot" on the main processor (MP), and implement a "controlled/orderly UNIX shutdown" on all FEPs. Upon completion of the controlled/orderly UNIX shutdown, power-down the processors in the following order: MPs first, followed by the FEPs.

- 1. Click the **Maintenance** menu in the main CRS menu to access the *Maintenance* pull-down menu.
- 2. Click **UNIX Shell** in the maintenance pull-down menu. A UNIX *xterm* window pops up for the entry of UNIX commands.
- 3. Type the following UNIX command in the *xterm* window:

su root

- 4. Press the **Enter** key. The shell responds with a prompt to enter root passwords.
- 5. Type the password for the root.
- 6. Press the **Enter** key. The shell prompt changes to a pound sign indicating that all subsequent UNIX command entries have root authority.
- 7. Type the following UNIX command in the *xterm* window:

rsh 5MP /sbin/shutdown -i0 -g0 -y

- 8. Press the **Enter** key. The shell command prompt returns after displaying a confirmation of shutdown initiation on 5MP. UNIX on processor 5MP shuts down.
- 9. Type the following UNIX command in the *xterm* window:

rsh 1FEP /sbin/shutdown -i0 -g0 -y

- 10. Press the **Enter** key. The shell command prompt returns after displaying a confirmation of shutdown initiation on 1FEP. UNIX on processor 1FEP shuts down.
- 11. Type the following UNIX command in the *xterm* window:

rsh 2FEP /sbin/shutdown -i0 -g0 -y

- 12. Press the **Enter** key. The shell command prompt returns after displaying a confirmation of shutdown initiation on 2FEP. UNIX on processor 2FEP shuts down.
- 13. Type the following UNIX command in the *xterm* window:

rsh 4BKUP /sbin/shutdown -i0 -g0 -y

- 14. Press the **Enter** key. The shell command prompt returns after displaying a confirmation of shutdown initiation on 4BKUP. The UNIX on processor 4BKUP shuts down.
- 15. Type the following UNIX command in the *xterm* window:

cd /

- 16. Press the **Enter** key.
- 17. Type the following UNIX command in the *xterm* window:

/sbin/shutdown -i0 -g0 -y

18. Press the **Enter** key. Each CRS processor for the system may be safely powered-down when UNIX indicates shutdown is complete with the message: *Press any key to reboot...* Do not reboot any machine; go to section 1.3.

1.3 CRS Hardware Power-Down Procedure

Power-down all CRS equipment at the operator's station and in the equipment room by turning off the following:

Operators Station Equipment Room

0MP and Monitor 4BKUP 5MP and Monitor 1FEP NWRSAME (all) 2FEP

> Lan Bridge Lan Server Monitor Printer

Audio Switching Assembly (Asa) Power Supplies

Modem

PART 2-EQUIPMENT UPGRADE PROCEDURES

2.1 1FEP, 2FEP, and 4BKUP DECtalk Card Installation Procedure

NOTE: Removing and replacing circuit cards must be accomplished in an antistatic work area using approved antistatic procedures. Refer to appendix **C** and ensure all equipment cabling is properly marked before removal.

1. Remove all cabling from 1FEP, 2FEP, and 4BKUP; and remove FEPs from the equipment rack to the antistatic work area (see attachment **B**, figure A-5).

- 2. Install the DECtalk cards into slot 5 of both the 1FEP and 4BKUP units, and into slot 4 of 2FEP using the following procedure:
 - a. Access the DECtalk cards by removing the right three screws located on the back of the system unit. These screws secure the right side access panel of the system to the chassis (see attachment **B**, figure A-1).
 - b. Pull the panel backward and lift upward.
- 3. Remove and retain the screws holding the following expansion slot covers:
- 1FEP slot cover 5
- 2 FEP slot cover 4
- 4BKUP slot cover 5
- 4. Remove the covers.

2.2 1FEP, 2FEP and 4BKUP DECtalk Card Input/Output (I/O) Address Configuration Procedure

1. Configure the new DECtalk card(s) for the appropriate I/O address through switch 2 (SW2), as defined in table 1 and pictured in attachment **B**, figure A-11.

NOTE: 1. Depending on the CRS site configuration, there may be as many as five DECtalk cards per FEP, located in slots 2 through 6.

Table 1. DECtalk Card Switch 2 (SW2) Settings

Module Number	SW2-	1 SW2-2	SW2-3	SW2-4	SW2-5	SW2-6	I/O Address	PC Slot
4	off	off	off	off	on	on	380	6
3	off	off	on	on	off	on	360	5
2	on	off	on	off	off	on	328	4
1	off	on	off	on	off	off	250	3
0	off	off	off	on	off	off	240	2

NOTE: 2. Regardless of the FEP, DECtalk card configuration remains constant, meaning modules 0, 1, 2, 3, and 4 are configured the same for each FEP.

2. Use table 1 to set up a DECtalk card with the I/O address: 360. Install the DECtalk card into slot 5 of 1FEP, and reinstall a retaining screw.

- 3. Use table 1 to set up a DECtalk card with the I/O address: 360. Install the DECtalk card into slot 5 of 4BKUP, and reinstall a retaining screw.
- 4. Use table 1 to set up a DECtalk card with the I/O address: 328. Install the DECtalk card into slot 4 of 2FEP, and reinstall a retaining screw.
- 5. Replace 1FEP, 2FEP and 4BKUP right side covers using the reverse procedure in section 2.1, step 2.
- 6. Replace 1FEP, 2FEP and 4BKUP in the CRS main unit cabinet using the reverse procedure in section 2.1, step 1. Refer to Appendix C and reinstall all cabling with the exception of the DECtalk to ASM/ASC Audio Cables.

2.3 ASM Card Installation Procedure

1. Remove ASA slots 6 and 7 covers by removing the two screws.

NOTE: There are five jumpers to be set on each ASM card.

2. Take one of the new ASM cards (ASN: B440-2A6A3) and set the jumpers for slot 6 of the ASA in accordance with table 2.

Table 2. ASM Card Jumper Settings

	ASA Slot #	Silence Alarm Jumper "JP1"	ACP Channel Sel. Jumper "JP2" & "JP3"	BKUP Live/ Playback Cntrl Jumper "JP4"	FEP Select Jumper "JP5"
ASM 1 (channel 1)	1	EN (Enable)	1	BUL2	FEP1
ASM 2 (channel 2)	2	EN (Enable)	2	BUL2	FEP1
ASM 3 (channel 3)	3	EN (Enable)	3	BUL2	FEP1
ASM 4 (channel 4)	4	EN (Enable)	4	BUL2	FEP1
ASM 5 (channel 5)	5	EN (Enable)	5	BUL2	FEP2
ASM 6 (channel 6)	6	EN (Enable)	6	BUL2	FEP2
ASM 7 (channel 7)	7	EN (Enable)	7	BUL2	FEP2
ASM PB1 (mon/playback chan 1)	PB1	DIS (Disable)	PB1	РВ	FEP1
ASM PB2 (mon/playback chan 2)	PB2	DIS (Disable)	PB2	РВ	FEP2

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- 3. Install the new ASM card into slot 6 of the ASA chassis, and tighten the two screws.
- 4. Using table 2, Repeat steps 2 and 3 for the new ASM card in slot 7, and the existing ASM cards in slots 4 and 5.

2.4 Operational and Spare ASC Jumper Setting and Cable Installation Procedure

- 1. Disconnect the DECtalk-ASC audio cables (labeled as 4-1, 4-2, 4-3, and 4-5).
- 2. Disconnect the two ACP-ASC audio cables.
- 3. Disconnect the ASC-4BKUP parallel port interface cables.
- 4. Disconnect the two ACP-ASC control cables.
- 5. Loosen the four front panel screws, and extract the ASC card.
- 6. On both the operational and spare ASC, set the backup channel configuration using the seven jumpers on JP1. Using all seven jumpers, move the jumpers to the side of the block that lists the number of output channels for your site configuration, the center row of pins being common. Example: Using figure 1 as a reference, if your site configuration had 5, 6, 9, or 10 transmitters, each jumper would connect from the center row of pins to the top row of pins. If your site configuration had 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 11, 12, or 13 transmitters, each jumper would connect from the center row of pins to the bottom row of pins.

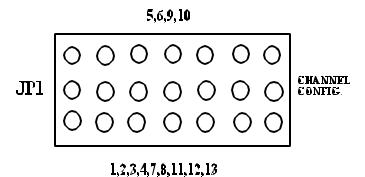


Figure 1. ASM Card Jumper Block

- 7. Insert the ASC back into the ASA and tighten the four front panel screws.
- 8. Reconnect the two ACP-ASC control cables.
- 9. Reconnect the ASC-4BKUP parallel port interface cable.
- 10. Reconnect the two ACP-ASC audio cables.
- 11. Using write-on cable labels, mark and connect the new DECtalk-ASC audio cable 4-4, and reconnect cables 4-1, 4-2, 4-3, and 4-5 according to table 3.

Table 3. DECtalk to ASC Audio Cables

From	То	Cable Label
4BKUP DECtalk 1 "J2" Port	ASC "BKUP Audio 1" Port	4-1
4BKUP DECtalk 2 "J2" Port	ASC "BKUP Audio 2" Port	4-2
4BKUP DECtalk 3 "J2" Port	ASC "BKUP Audio 3" Port	4-3
4BKUP DECtalk 4 "J2" Port	ASC "BKUP Audio 4" Port	4-4
4BKUP DECtalk 5 "J2" Port	ASC "BKUP Audio 5" Port	4-5

2.5 DECtalk-ASM Audio Cable Installation Procedure

Using write-on cable labels, mark and connect the new and existing DECtalk-ASM audio cables on 1FEP and 2FEP in accordance with table 4.

Table 4. DECtalk to ASM Audio Cables

From	То	Cable Label
1FEP DECtalk 1 "J2" Port	ASM 1 "IN Port"	1-1
1FEP DECtalk 2 "J2" Port	ASM 2 "IN Port"	1-2
1FEP DECtalk 3 "J2" Port	ASM 3 "IN Port"	1-3
1FEP DECtalk 4 "J2" Port	ASM 4 "IN Port"	1-4
2FEP DECtalk 1 "J2" Port	ASM 5 "IN Port"	2-1
2FEP DECtalk 2 "J2" Port	ASM 6 "IN Port"	2-2
2FEP DECtalk 3 "J2" Port	ASM 7 "IN Port"	2-3
1FEP DECtalk 5 "J2" Port	ASM PB1 "IN Port"	1-5
2FEP DECtalk 5 "J2" Port	ASM PB2 "IN Port"	2-5

2.6 New Transmitter Audio Output Cables Installation Procedure

- Connect the Out1 port of the new ASM cards at slots 6 and 7 of the ASA chassis by installing the new audio output cable to the demarc panel position for the new transmitters.
- 2. Install the new NWRSAME (if available) into the top panel of the 5MP workstation (if available).
- 3. Install the NWRSAME-ACP interface cable from the NWRSAME rear connector to the "NWRSAME INPUT socket 1" port of ACP2 rear panel (this connects to pins 2, 6, 7, 9, and 10 of the NWRSAME) (if available).

NOTE: This completes the hardware modification.

PART 3-CRS POWER-UP PROCEDURES

WARNING

Prior to powering-up the FEPs, perform the New Configuration Physical Verification procedure contained in attachment C to verify proper system configuration. Failure to perform the procedure can result in transmitter broadcasts assigned to incorrect output channels.

3.1 Power-Up FEP Procedure

Press the **ON/OFF** switch (on the front center right of the enclosure) to power-up the FEPs. A green power LED on each FEP lights up when the power is on. The FEPs can be powered-up in any sequence. The FEPs go through a memory check, file system check, system configuration verification [as recognized by the basic I/O system (BIOS)], and then boot the embedded UNIX operating system. At the completion of the boot process, the console screen displays the prompt:

Console Login:

The embedded operating system automatically initializes to a preset level and waits for final start-up commands from the master MP.

NOTE: The FEPs share a common console through the *Shared Monitor Switch*. The console displays messages while completing the boot process of the FEP currently switched in.

2. Use the Shared Monitor Switch to select the next FEP. The console monitor displays:

Press <F1> to resume, <F2> to Setup.

3. Press **F1** to complete the boot process. The prompt displays:

Console Login:

4. Repeat for each remaining FEP.

3.2 Power-Up Main Processors Procedure

NOTE: 1. Power-up 0MP as the master main processor and 5MP as the shadowing processor.

Press the **ON/OFF** switch (on the front center right of the enclosure) to power-up the MPs. A green power LED on each MP lights up when the power is on. The MPs can be powered-up in any sequence. The MPs go through a memory check, file system check, system configuration verification (as recognized by the BIOS), and then boot the embedded UNIX operating system. At the completion of the boot process, the workstation screen displays the *CRS Login* screen. The MPs are now ready for the initialization of the CRS application software.

NOTE: 2. For Build 6.4 and higher: Following power-up, CRS displays the *Security Screen*. To continue the login process, click the **Acknowledge** button.

3. Whenever the MPs are powered-up, they automatically step through the boot process to the multiuser mode without operator intervention.

PART 4-CRS LOGIN AND TEST DATABASE ASCII FILE LOADING PROCEDURES

4.1 CRS Login Procedure

NOTE: 1. For Build 6.4 and higher: Following power-up, CRS displays the *Security Screen*. To continue the login process, click the **Acknowledge** button.

- 2. The CRS Login Screen allows you to log onto CRS. This screen contains two fields: Login ID and Password. The fields are provided to allow you to type in your assigned login ID and password.
- 1. Type **admin** (for system administrator) in the *Login ID* field and press **Enter**. The cursor moves to the *Password* field.
- 2. Type in your assigned password, and press **Enter** to complete the CRS login process. The system displays the *CRS Main* display. In addition, the system displays the following error message:
 - System is not operational. Perform 'Start CRS' to start system.
- 3. Click **OK** to clear the message.

NOTE: 3. The error message is only a status message indicating CRS is not running.

4.2 CRS Test Database ASCII File Loading Procedure

NOTE: 1. The following instructions for loading the CRS test database ASCII assume everything is being done with 0MP set as the MP.

- 1. Open a UNIX Shell:
 - a. Click Maintenance.
 - b. Click UNIX Shell.
- 2. Place the diskette with CRS test database ASCII files in the 0MP diskette drive to copy the desired file from the diskette to CRS.
 - a. Type mdir a: and press the Enter key to display a directory listing of the files on the test database diskette. There are 13 files on the diskette with the following filename convention:

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TYPW_CFG.ASC where W = 1 - 4

LRGX_CFG.ASC where X = 5 - 8

MAX Y_CFG.ASC where Y = 9

MAXZ_CF.ASC where Z = 10 - 13
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(W, X, Y, and Z represent the number of transmitters supported by your CRS)

- 3. Locate the applicable test database ASCII file.
- 4. Type **mcopy -t a: filename /crs/data/SS/filename** (where **filename** is the name of the CRS test database ASCII file to be used).
- 5. Press the **Enter** key.
- 6. Click and hold the left mouse button on any white space, move the cursor to select **XCRS_SITE Utility**, and release the button to bring up the *XCRS_SITE Utility* window.
- 7. Click the **Select ASCII Site Setup** button to bring up the list of ASCII files.
- 8. Select the desired database ASCII filename copied from the diskette in section 4.2, step 2.c, and double click.

NOTE: 2. The directory selection block has a default directory name of /crs/data/SS, and the file filter block has a default file name of /crs/data/SS/*.ASC. If the desired filename does not appear, it may have copied to the wrong directory in section 4.2, step 2.c. If that is the case, change the default directory name to the directory specified in section 4.2, step 2.c. The filename may not appear because it is being filtered out. Remember, UNIX is case-sensitive and if copied with an asc extension in lowercase the filename does not display. Change the filter file name to /crs/data/SS/*.asc, and the filename displays.

- 9. Select **Initialize System Configuration** *and* **Database** to ensure the entire system database and configuration is erased and replaced.
- 10. Click the **Start Site Configuration** button. The system displays:
 - Will now perform FULL site reconfiguration. Continue?
- 11. Click **OK**. The "wristwatch" and the "working" message display. Several messages scroll by. The last message reads:
 - Finished with site configure.
- 12. The "wristwatch" and "working" messages disappear. Ensure there are no error messages at the completion of the site configuration process.
- 13. Restart CRS by clicking on **Start CRS System**. The system displays:
 - The CRS system will be STARTED. Continue?
- 14. Click **OK**. The "wristwatch" and the "working" message display. Several messages scroll by. The last message refers to starting 4BKUP. The "wristwatch" and "working" message disappear.
- 15. Click **EXIT** to close the *XCRS_SITE Utility* window.
- 16. Click the **UNIX Shell** window to select it. At the prompt type **exit** and press **Enter** to close the *UNIX Shell*.
- 17. Open the System Status window:
 - a. Click System.
 - b. Click **System Status**.
- 18. Monitor the *System Status* window and ensure the system is operational.

PART 5-POST HARDWARE EXPANSION CHANNEL OPERABILITY VERIFICATION PROCEDURES

5.1 Channel Operability Verification Procedure

NOTE: CRS test database ASCII files contain test messages configured for continuous broadcast for channel operability verification.

- 1. Connect a monitor speaker or headphones to the ACP.
- 2. Using the *Channel Select* control, select each channel, one at a time, and monitor the output for the correct message (i.e., With Channel one selected, the message output is: *This is transmitter one, audio switch module one*).

5.2 FEP Backup Mode Channel Operability Verification Procedure

- 1. Click Maintenance.
- 2. Click Front-End Processor Switch.
- 3. Select 1 in the Front-End Processor Switch window under FEP.
- 4. Select **Out** under *Switch*.
- 5. Select **Yes** under *Backup*.
- 6. Click the **Save the current record** icon to execute the FEP switch process. The *Question box* displays:

Switch out the FEP FULLY offline???

7. Click **OK** to continue. The system displays the "wristwatch" and the message:

"Requesting FEP Switchout"

- 8. Monitor the *FEP1* and *BKUP System Status* icons and verify FEP1 is in backup mode and the BKUP icon displays the online status.
- 9. Upon completion of the FEP switch process, repeat section 5.1, steps 1 and 2.
- 10. Upon completion of the FEP backup mode channel operability verification, perform the following to display the *Front-End Processor Switch* window:
 - a. Click Maintenance.
 - b. Click Front-End Processor Switch.
- 11. Select 1 in the Front-End Processor Switch window under FEP.
- 12. Under Switch: select IN to switch FEP1 back in.
- 13. Click the **Save the current record** icon to execute the FEP switch process. The system displays the "wristwatch" and the message:

Requesting FEP switch-in...

- 14. Monitor the *FEP1* and *BKUP System Status* icons and verify FEP1 is online and the BKUP icon displays the backup mode status.
- 15. When the system returns to normal operation, perform the following steps to close the *Front-End Processor Switch* window and stop CRS:
 - a. On the Front-End Processor Switch window:
 - 1) Click File.
 - 2) Click Exit.
 - b. On the Main CRS menu:
 - 1) Click System.
 - 2) Click Stop System.

- 3) Click OK.
- 4) Click Close.
- 16. Monitor the System Status window and verify the CRS application has stopped.

PART 6-ADDING NEW TRANSMITTER CHANNELS AND EDITING SITE DATABASE ASCII FILE PROCEDURES

6.1 Adding New Transmitter Channels Procedure

- Click and hold the left mouse button on any white space, move the cursor to select XCRS_SITE Utility, and release the button to bring up the XCRS_SITE Utility window.
- 2. Click **Select ASCII Site Setup** button to bring up the list of ASCII files.
- 3. Select the current site database ASCII file and double click.
- 4. Click **Add Transmitter(s)** button to start the **addxmt** program. It displays how many transmitters currently are available, the next available transmitter to be added, and its appropriate processor and slot.
- 5. Use the following steps to add a new transmitter to the Site Database ASCII file:

a. Mnemonic

- 1) Type option number **1** and press **Enter** to select *Mnemonic*.
- 2) Type **a** and press **Enter** at the program prompt to add *Mnemonic*.
- 3) Type **mmmmm** and press **Enter** (where *mmmmm* is the desired mnemonic), up to a length of 5 characters. The program returns the *Mnemonic*.
- 4) Type **0** or press **Tab** and press **Enter** to complete the *Mnemonic* selection.

b. Call Sign

- 1) Type option number **2** and press **Enter** to select the *Call Sign*.
- 2) Type **a** and press **Enter** at the program prompt to add *Call Sign*.
- 3) Enter the *Call Sign* in the same manner as the *Mnemonic*, up to a length of 5 characters. The program returns the *Call Sign*.
- 4) Type **0** or press **Tab** and press **Enter** to complete the *Call Sign* selection.

c. Frequency

1) Type option number **3** and press **Enter** to select *Frequency*. The *Frequency* option only allows a selection of one of the seven choices listed.

- 2) Type **n** and press **Enter** (where *n* is the desired frequency choice). The program returns the *Frequency* choice by displaying an asterisk next to the *Frequency* selection.
- 3) Type **0** or press **Tab** and press **Enter** to complete the *Frequency* selection.

d. Location

- 1) Type option number 4 and press Enter to select Location.
- 2) Type **a** and press **Enter** at the program prompt to add *Location*.
- 3) Enter the *Location* (in the same manner as the *Mnemonic* and the *Call Sign*) up to a length of 40 ASCII characters. The program returns the *Location*.
- 4) Type **0** or press **Tab** and press **Enter** to complete the *Location* selection.

e. Add Transmitter

- Type option number 5 and press Enter to use all the parameters defined in the first four steps to configure a new transmitter in the database ASCII file. The program indicates a new transmitter is really needed.
- 2) Type **y** and press **Enter**. The program returns the assignment of each transmitter to its proper processor and slot. The program tells you the appropriate database ASCII file has been updated and the original has been saved with the .SAV extension.
- 6. The program then asks if another transmitter is needed. If yes, repeat steps 5a through 5e for the next new transmitter. If not, type **n** and press **Enter** to exit the program.

6.2 Editing the Site Database ASCII File Procedure

- 1. When exit **addxmt** is done, the *Question* box displays:
 - Ready to recompile selected ASCII file. Continue?
- 2. Click Cancel.
- 3. Select **Initialize System Configuration and Database** to ensure the entire system database and configuration is erased and replaced.
- 4. Click **Start Site Configure**. The *Question* box displays:
 - Will now perform FULL site reconfiguration. Continue?
- 5. Click **OK** to recompile the database ASCII file. Upon completion of the database ASCII file recompile process, the system displays:
 - Finished with site configure.
- 6. Restart CRS by clicking on **Start CRS System**. The system displays:
 - The CRS system will be STARTED. Continue?

- 7. Click **OK**. The "wristwatch" and the "working" message display. Several messages scroll by. The last message refers to starting 4BKUP, and the "wristwatch" and "working" message disappear
- 8. Click **Exit** to close the XCRS SITE Utility window.
- 9. Open the Alert Monitor window:
 - a. Click System.
 - b. Click Alert Monitor.

NOTE:

No attempt is made by **addxmt** to establish station identifiers, broadcast programs, broadcast suites, message types, voice parameters, keep-alive messages, interrupt messages, etc. for the new transmitters. These must be configured through the CRS graphical user interface (see the CRS Site Operator's Manual), and updated in the site database ASCII file. In CRS Build 7.0 and newer, changes made to the site database are mirrored to the site ASCII file in one of two ways: either automatically at 00 UTC, or on demand by the system operator. CRS Build 6.4 and earlier does NOT have this capability. See the "CRS Site Operator's Manual" for further information.

PART 7–CRS Alignment Procedures

- **NOTE:** 1. When performing any of the following alignments, the system output at the ASM card must be disconnected and terminated into the AM-48 test set.
 - 2. In the following sections, all procedures must be performed, but ONLY for the added transmitters, i.e., added ASM cards, **NOT starting from channel one**.
 - 3. During alignment in section 7.1, CRS remains operational. However, the audio to each transmitter being tested will be interrupted while the transmitter is being aligned.

Backup Live Alignment Procedures

Three alignments need to be made on the CRS. These alignments should be performed in the following sequence:

- 1. ACP Ref Mark Alignment
- 2. ASM Card Alignment
- 3. **NWRSAME** Alignment

During BUL, alert and transfer tones are generated by the ACP and NWRSAME tones are generated by the NWRSAME panel. Reference table 4, *Tone Frequencies, Tolerances, and Duration* as necessary for the following alignments.

Table 4. Tone Frequencies, Tolerances, and Duration

Tone Type	Frequency	Tolerance	Duration	Tolerance
Primary to Secondary Transfer	1800 Hz followed by 2400 Hz	± 5 Hz ± 5 Hz	5 sec. 5 sec.	± 0.5 sec. ± 0.5 sec.
Secondary to Primary Transfer	2400 Hz followed by 1800 Hz	± 5 Hz ± 5 Hz	5 sec. 5 sec.	± 0.5 sec. ± 0.5 sec.
Alert Tone 1	1050 Hz	± 0.3%	10 sec.	± 2 sec.
*Alert Tone 2	1200 Hz	± 0.3%	10 sec.	± 2 sec.
*Alert Tone 3	1350 Hz	± 0.3%	10 sec.	± 2 sec.
*Alert Tone 4	1500 Hz	± 0.3%	10 sec.	± 2 sec.
*Alert Tone 5	1650 Hz	± 0.3%	10 sec.	± 2 sec.

^{*} Not currently used-reserved for future use.

NOTE: 1. This alignment requires two people: one in the operations room, and one in the equipment room.

The following equipment is required:

- 1. Ameritec AM-48 Transmission Test Set to read the audio signal level
- 2. Small jeweler's screwdriver
- 3. RJ-11 phone cable (approximately 6 feet)

NOTE: 2. When performing any of the following alignments, the system output at the ASM card must be disconnected and terminated into the AM-48 test set. The AM-48 must be set to the 600-ohm internal terminator.

- 3. The Out1 and Out2 jacks on the ASM card front panel are <u>not</u> isolated from each other. Using a second output affects the output of the first.
- 4. The ACP Ref mark alignment must be done by site personnel. Both the ASM card alignment and NWRSAME alignment cannot be performed until the ACP Ref mark alignment is done.
- 5. Starting at this point, for the rest of Part 7, *X* will be used to denote any added transmitters/ASM cards that need to undergo adjustment or calibration procedures.

7.1.1 ACP Ref Mark Alignment

Calibration Procedures:

- 1. Power on the **AM-48 Test Set** using the rocker switch (upper right side).
- 2. Set the **AM-48 Test Set** controls as indicated in table 5 (refer to the *AM-48 Instruction Manual* for further explanations on setup).

Table 5. AM-48 Test Set Controls

Function	Left Side of Test Set
Volume	Mid position
MON RCV, MON SND, Talk Switch	Mid position
Term, BRDG	Term
TONE, PULSE, ON HK	TONE
900 ohm, 600 ohm	600 ohm
2w, 4w, 4w REC	2w
	Right Side of Test Set
ABS, REL, SEND	ABS
DAMP, OFF	OFF
SEL Filter	C-MSG (Displayed at bottom of LCD reader) (Printed on Bottom of display)
SEL MEASURE	L/F (Printed on Bottom of display)
SEL SEND	Quiet (Printed on Bottom of display)
MF, DTMF, SHIFT	DTMF
SF SKP, NOR, X TONE	NOR
RCL/STC, PRINT	Mid position

- 3. Connect the RJ-11 cable to the 4W RCU jack on the bottom of the AM-48.
- 4. Remove the transmitter *X* feed output RJ-11 plug from the ASM card output jack.
- 5. Connect the AM-48 Test Set to the ASM card output jack corresponding to Transmitter *X*.
- 6. Position the ACP **Channel Select** knob to **X** (transmitter X).
- 7. Set the index mark on the front of the ACP *Tone* volume control knob to the **Ref** position.

- 8. To start BUL on Channel No.X, push the **Transmitter Select** X button and the **Transmitter Select Enable** button in sequence. These controls are in the *BACKUP LIVE* area on the front of the ACP.
- 9. Push the **Transfer/Alert Tones 1** button to cause the ACP to generate the 1050 Hz alert tone. The duration of the 1050 Hz alert tone is 10 seconds.
- 10. Observe the VU meter on the ACP front panel. It should indicate **0** on the red scale.
- 11. If the VU meter does not indicate a reading of **0**, adjust the **Tone** volume control until that level is obtained.
- 12. Repeat steps 3, 4, and 5 until a reading of **0** is obtained. When the *Tone* volume control is set to the true reference position, the ACP provides the selected alert tone level of 0.

NOTE: If the final position does not coincide with the ACP Ref marking, a non-permanent mark (tape, sticker, etc.) can be made on the panel of the final alignment position so operators do not incorrectly change the tone knob back to align with the Ref marking. DO NOT deface the front of the ACP with any kind of permanent marking!

- 13. Make sure to keep the Ref position as aligned in this procedure. Do not change this position unless another alignment is needed. Place a note to inform the operators not to touch the knob.
- 14. To stop BUL, push the **Transmitter Select Enable** button and the **Transmitter Select X** button in sequence.

7.1.2 ASM Card Alignment

Alignment Procedures

- 1. Ensure the AM-48 Test Set is connected to the ASM card output jack corresponding to Transmitter *X*.
- 2. Ensure the index mark on the *Tone* volume control knob is set to the reference position as determined in section 7.1.1, *ACP Ref Mark Alignment* procedure.
- 3. Position the ACP **Channel Select** knob to X (Transmitter X).
- 4. Start BUL on ASM output channel No.X by pushing the **Transmitter Select X** button and the **Transmitter Select Enable** button in sequence. These buttons are located in the *BACKUP LIVE* block area on the front of the ACP.

NOTE: 1.

- The alert tone output from the ACP lasts for only 10 seconds. It is recommended that a second person push the Alert Tone 1 button for a near continuous tone output. This smooths out the calibration effort and minimizes the time required.
- During BUL, the VU meter monitors the ACP tone output, not the output of the ASM card. The ACP tone output is sent to the ASM card by way of the ASC for final output.
- 5. Push the **Transfer/Alert Tones 1** button to send an alert tone to the ASM card No. X output.
- 6. Using a small jeweler's screwdriver, adjust the transmitter gain control potentiometer through the small hole in the ASM front panel (located above the In jack) until a reading of **0** dBm (as close to 0 dBm without going positive) is measured on the AM-48 Test Set.
- 7. Repeat steps 4, 5, and 6 until a reading of **0** dBm is obtained.
- 8. Push the **Pri/Sec** transmitter transfer tone button to send out 5 seconds of 1800 Hz tone followed by 5 seconds of 2400 Hz tone.
- 9. Verify a reading of 0 dBm (± 1.5 dBm) on the AM-48 Test Set for the *Transfer Tones*.
- 10. Push the **Sec/Pri** transmitter transfer tone button to send out 5 seconds of 2400 Hz tone followed by 5 seconds of 1800 Hz tone.
- 11. Verify a reading of 0 dBm (± 1.5 dBm) on the AM-48 Test Set for the *Transfer Tones*.
- 12. To stop BUL, push the **Transmitter Select Enable** button and then the **Transmitter Select** *X* button in sequence.
- 13. Repeat steps 1 through 12 to align each of the added ASM cards in the system. Remember that each ASM card output is activated by selecting the appropriate trasmitter on the Channel Select knob and by pushing the respective Transmitter X button and then the Transmitter Select Enable button. ASM card 1 corresponds to Transmitter 1, ASM card 2 corresponds to Transmitter 2, etc.

7.1.3 NWRSAME (ECR-200) Panel Calibration

NOTE: 1. When performing the following calibration, the system output of the ASM card must be disconnected, and the AM-48 Test Set connected in its place. Refer to AM-48 set up in section 7.1.1, step 1.

The NWRSAME (ECR-200) calibration must be performed by site personnel.

A small screwdriver is required to adjust the NWRSAME gain control potentiometer.

Calibration Procedures:

NOTE: 2. The front panel key sequence on the NWRSAME for a continuous NWRSAME preamble tone output is TEST and then SEND. Pressing the CANCEL key stops the sequence.

- 1. Ensure the AM-48 Test Set is connected to the ASM card output jack corresponding to Transmitter *X*.
- 2. Ensure the *Tone* volume control knob is set to the index mark as determined in section 7.1.1, *ACP Ref Mark Alignment* procedure.
- 3. Position the ACP **Channel Select** knob to **X** (Transmitter X).
- 4. Start BUL on ASM output channel No.1 by pushing the **Transmitter X** button and the **Enable** button in sequence. These are located in the *BACKUP LIVE* block area on the front of the ACP.
- 5. Initiate a continuous NWRSAME preamble tone output from the NWRSAME panel by pressing the **TEST** key once and then the **SEND** key.
- 6. Observe the VU meter reading on the front of the ACP.
- 7. Located at the back of the NWRSAME panel next to the terminal block is the output gain control potentiometer. Observe the AM-48 Test Set and adjust the gain control potentiometer for a reading of 4.5 dBm ± 0.5 dBm on the AM-48. This should correspond to between (approximately) -2.0 and -3.0 on the ACP VU meter.

NOTE: 3. The output gain potentiometer is the only control on the back panel of the NWRSAME. Since it is a single turn potentiometer, adjustment of the control is very sensitive.

- 8. Push the **CANCEL** key on the NWRSAME to stop the generation of the preamble.
- 9. Push the **Enable** button and **Transmitter X** button in sequence to stop BUL.

NOTE: 4.

The levels for voice, warning tone, and SAME messages have been selected to optimize the detectability by a receiver. This maximizes the transmitter modulation deviation without causing distortion. The levels selected herein assume frequency response of the telecommunications line to the transmitter is relatively flat and the pre-emphasis circuit in the transmitter is within 1.0 to 2.0 dB of the required 6.0 dB per octave. If these assumptions are not correct, measurements at the audio input at the transmitter site on a case by case basis may be necessary to obtain the optimum modulation (corresponding to a deviation of 4.5 kHz for the NWRSAME tones). If these adjustments to the NWRSAME level are necessary (when based on the levels at the transmitter site audio input), the corresponding levels at the ASM card output should be recorded.

7.2 CRS Alignment Procedures for Normal Operation (to match BUL Alignment)

During normal operation, all audio output levels from the DECtalk cards are controlled by the CRS application software through the graphic user interface (GUI) to adjust the alert tone amplitude, transmitter transfer tone amplitude, NWRSAME tone amplitude, and voice volume.

NOTE: 1. Do not put the CRS on-the-air while performing the following procedures.

- 2. When performing any of the following alignments, the system output at the ASM card must be disconnected and terminated into the AM-48 test set. The AM-48 must be set to the 600-ohm internal terminator.
- 3. Any output amplitude changes, which were made through the GUI, will be permanently saved on the system disk. They will remain unchanged in the system unless the operator makes another amplitude change, restores a backup database, or recompiles a new database.
- 4. This alignment requires two people: one in the operations room, and one in the equipment room.
- In the event the 4BKUP processor has replaced one of the FEPs, the CRS software matches the DECtalk amplitude settings for the affected DECtalk cards of the replaced FEP.

Four adjustments to the DECtalk cards need to be made under the *Transmitter Configure* menu. These adjustments should be performed in the following sequence for each transmitter:

- 1. DECtalk Card Alert Tone Output Level Adjustment
- 2. DECtalk NWRSAME Tone Output Level Adjustment
- 3. DECtalk Transmitter Transfer Tone Output Level Adjustment
- 4. DECtalk Synthesized Voice Output Level Adjustment

The following equipment is required for these adjustments:

- 1. Ameritec AM-48 Transmission Test Set
- 2. RJ-11 phone cable (approximately 6 feet)

7.2.1 DECtalk Card Alert Tone Output Level Adjustment

NOTE: 1. Position the *ACP Channel Select* knob to correspond with the transmitter under adjustment.

The alert tone output level adjustment is accomplished as follows:

- 1. Power on the **AM-48 Test Set** using the rocker switch (upper right side).
- 2. Set the AM-48 Test Set controls as indicated in table 5.
- 3. Connect the RJ-11 cable to the 4W RCU jack on the bottom of the AM-48.
- 4. Starting with *Transmitter* number *X*, remove *Transmitter X* feed output RJ-11 plug from the ASM card output jack.
- 5. Connect the AM-48 Test Set to the ASM card output jack corresponding to Transmitter *X*.
- **NOTE:** 2. The Out1 and Out2 jacks on the ASM card front panel are <u>not</u> isolated from each other. Using a second output will affect the output of the first.
 - 6. Click the **Emergency Override** hot key (**E** button) on the *CRS Main Menu* for an *Emergency Override window*.
 - 7. Select a message type from the *Message Type* display list.
- **NOTE:** 3. The selected message type must be defined in the *Broadcast Program* of the selected transmitter. Consult the CRS focal point for a correct message type to select for a specific transmitter.
 - 8. Click the **Area Selection** button and specify a listening area/transmitter combination by clicking the **Zones** drop down menu and select **Transmitters**.
 - In the Choices section under Transmitters, click the transmitter in the displayed list which corresponds to the added ASM card undergoing calibration. The first transmitter name corresponds to ASM card 1, the next transmitter corresponds to ASM card 2. etc.
 - 10. In the Areas box, select an area corresponding to the transmitter under test.

- 11. Click the single arrow under the *Areas* box. This copies the area to the *Selections* Areas/Zones box.
- 12. Check the Affected Transmitters box to ensure only the transmitter under test is bolded.

NOTE: 4. If multiple transmitters appear in bold in the Affected Transmitters box, proceed to the next step. If not, skip to step 15.

- 13. Remove the area with multiple transmitters by clicking that area (in the Selections Areas/Zones box) and clicking the eraser icon and the bottom right of the Areas/Zones box. This removes the area from the Areas/Zones box.
- 14. Repeat steps 9 through 11 to choose another area.
- 15. Click the **OK** button to return to the *Emergency Override* window.
- 16. Select the Alert button (box turns red when selected) and deselect the SAME Transmitter (box turns gray) to have the DECtalk card output only the 1050 Hz alert tone. Only the transmitter in bold should be deselected. The transmitters that are grayed out are not affected.
- 17. Click the **Transmit** button to start the emergency override broadcast of the alert tone.

NOTE: 5. The ACP VU meter does not monitor the final output of the ASM card. The amplitude of the monitored signal (from the VU meter) is 1.2 higher than the amplitude of the final output of the ASM card (i.e., the 1050 Hz Alert Tone). When the ASM card's final output amplitude is set to 0 dBm (using the AM-48 Test Set), the VU meter reading should indicate a level of + 1.2 (± 0.5). Therefore, the VU meter can be used to measure the output level in conjunction with the AM-48 Test Set. For the transmitter switching tones and NWRSAME tones, the output is lower at the higher frequencies.

- 18. Observe the VU meter (red scale) and the AM-48 Test Set and note the readings.
- 19. Wait for the On the Air Broadcast window, click the **Stop** button, then click **Exit**.
- 20. Click the **Delete** button to delete the created emergency override message.
- 21. If the measured output level of the DECtalk generated alert tone does not equal 0 dBm on the AM-48 Test Set (+ 1.2 [± 0.5] on the ACP VU meter), then go to step 22. Otherwise, go to section 7.2.2.
- 22. Select the Transmitter Configure window under the Transmitters menu (see Section 3, Figure 21, of the Site Operator's Manual).
- Click the selected **Transmitter** from the *Transmitters* list followed by the **Amplitudes** button to access the Amplitudes window (see Section 3, Figure 23, of the Site Operator's Manual).

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- 24. Move the **Alert Tone Amplitude** slider to increase or decrease the alert tone output amplitude, as necessary, to equal 0 dBm on the AM-48 Test Set (+ 1.2 [± 0.5] on the ACP VU meter). A good starting point on the *Alert Tone Amplitude* is **15**.
- 25. Click the **OK** button to return to the *Transmitter Configure* window.
- 26. Click the **Save** button (diskette icon) to save the new DECtalk card *Amplitude* settings.

NOTE: 6. After the Save key is clicked, the new settings will replace the old values. The new DECtalk amplitude settings will be downloaded to the associated DECtalk card. Downloading time ranges from one minute to several minutes depending on the size of the current broadcast message. The downloading process will not start until the end of the current broadcast message is reached.

27. Go back to section 7.2.1, step 6, and repeat the measurement process for the same selected transmitter until the respective tone amplitude generated by that specific DECtalk card is equal to 0 dBm on the AM-48 Test Set (+ 1.2 [± 0.5] on the ACP VU meter).

7.2.2 DECtalk NWRSAME Tone Output Level Adjustment

NOTE: 1. The AM-48 Test Set is unable to measure this short-burst NWRSAME tone at the ASM card output. Optionally, an analog AC voltmeter (like the HP 400E) with a 600 ohm load can be used in place of the AM-48. The voltmeter should read -4.5 dBm at the ASM output.

The levels for voice, warning tone, and SAME messages have been selected to optimize the detectability by a receiver. This maximizes the transmitter modulation deviation without causing distortion. The levels selected herein assume frequency response of the telecommunications line to the transmitter is relatively flat and the pre-emphasis circuit in the transmitter is within 1.0 to 2.0 dB of the required 6.0 dB per octave. If these assumptions are not correct, measurements at the audio input at the transmitter site on a case by case basis may be necessary to obtain the optimum modulation (corresponding to a deviation of 4.5 kHz for the NWRSAME tones). If these adjustments to the NWRSAME level are necessary (when based on the levels at the transmitter site audio input), the corresponding levels at the ASM card output should be recorded.

The output level adjustment is as follows:

- 1. Click the **Emergency Override** hot key on the *CRS Main Menu* for an *Emergency Override window* (see Section 3, Figure 77, of the *Site Operator's Manual*).
- 2. Select a message type from the *Message Type* display list.

- 3. Click the **Area Selection** button and specify a listening area/transmitter combination by clicking the **Zones** drop down menu and select **Transmitters**.
- 4. In the *Choices* section under *Transmitters*, click the transmitter in the displayed list which corresponds to the added ASM card undergoing calibration. The first transmitter name corresponds to ASM card 1, the next transmitter corresponds to ASM card 2. etc.
- 5. In the *Areas* box, select an area corresponding to the transmitter under test.
- 6. Click the single arrow under the *Areas* box. This copies the area to the *Areas/Zones* box.
- 7. Check the *Affected Transmitters* box to ensure only the transmitter under test is bolded.

NOTE: 2. If multiple transmitters appear in bold in the *Affected Transmitters* box, proceed to the next step. If not, skip to step 10.

- 8. Remove the area with multiple transmitters by clicking that area (in the Areas/Zones box) and clicking the **eraser** icon and the bottom right of the *Areas/Zones* box. This removes the area from the *Areas/Zones* box.
- 9. Repeat steps 4 through 6 to choose another area.
- 10. Click the **OK** button to return to the *Emergency Override* window.
- 11. Select the **SAME Transmitter** button (box turns red) and deselect the **Alert** (box turns grey) to have the DECtalk card output the NWRSAME tones only.
- 12. Click the **Transmit** button to start the emergency override broadcast of the NWRSAME tones.
- 13. Observe the VU meter (red scale) and note the reading.
- 14. Click Exit.
- 15. Wait for the On the Air Broadcast window, click the Stop button, then click Exit.
- 16. Click the **Delete** button to delete the created emergency override message.

NOTE: 3. The level on the VU meter will be +1.2 (± 0.5) higher than the actual output of the ASM card (i.e., if the output at the ASM card is -4.5 dB, the VU meter will indicate between -3 and -4). If the level needs adjustment, go to step 17. Otherwise, go to section 7.2.3.

17. Select the **Transmitter Configure** window under the *Transmitter* menu (see Section 3, Figure 21, of the *Site Operator's Manual*).

- 18. Click the selected **Transmitter** from the *Transmitters* list followed by the **Amplitudes** button to access the *Amplitudes* window (see Section 3, Figure 23 of the *Site Operator's Manual*).
- Move the SAME Tone Amplitude slider to increase or decrease the NWRSAME output amplitude, as necessary, to obtain correct level on the VU meter (see step 13). A good starting point on the SAME Tone Amplitude is 6.
- 20. Click the **OK** button to return to the *Transmitter Configure* window.
- 21. Click the **Save** button (diskette icon) to save the new DECtalk card *Amplitude* settings.
- NOTE: 4. After the Save key is clicked, the new settings replace the old values. The new DECtalk amplitude settings are downloaded to the associated DECtalk card. Downloading time ranges from one minute to a several minutes depending on the size of the current broadcast message. The downloading process does not start until the end of the current broadcast message is reached.
 - 22. Return to section 7.2.2, step 1, and repeat the measurement process for the same selected transmitter until the respective tone amplitude generated by that specific DECtalk card indicated the correct level on the VU meter (see step 13).

7.2.3 DECtalk Transmitter Transfer Tone Output Level Adjustment

The output level adjustment procedure is as follows:

- 1. Select the **Transmitter Configure** window under the *Transmitter* menu (see Section 3, Figure 21, of the *Site Operator's Manual*).
- 2. Click the selected **Transmitter** from the *Transmitter* list. In the *Attributes* section under *Mode*, if the *Primary* button is red, select the *Secondary* button. Conversely, if the *Secondary* button is red, select the *Primary* button.
- 3. Click the **Save** button (diskette icon). A popup question window displays with: *Mode has been modified. Do you want to change mode?*
- 4. Click **OK**.
- **NOTE:** 1. Changing transmitter mode from *Primary* to *Secondary* sends out 5 seconds of 1800 Hz tone followed by 5 seconds of 2400 Hz tone.
 - 2. Changing transmitter mode from *Secondary* to *Primary* sends out 5 seconds of 2400 Hz tone followed by 5 seconds of 1800 Hz tone.
 - 5. Measure and record the transmitter transfer tone output level with the AM-48 Test Set connected to the ASM card output jack corresponding to Transmitter *X*.

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- 6. If the output level of the DECtalk transmitter transfer tones are not 0 dBm (± 1.5 dBm), go to step 7. Otherwise, click the **Exit** button to quit the *Transmitter Configure* window and go to section 7.2.4, step 1.
- 7. Select the *Transmitter Configure* window under the *Transmitter* menu (see Section 3, Figure 21, of the *Site Operator's Manual*).
- 8. Click the selected **Transmitter** button followed by the **Amplitudes** button to access the *Amplitudes* window (see Section 3, Figure 23, of the *Site Operator's Manual*).
- 9. Move the **Transfer Tone Amplitude** slider to increase or decrease the *transmitter transfer tone* output amplitude, as necessary, to match that measured in step 5. A good starting point on the *Transfer Tone Amplitude* is **15**.
- 10. Click **OK** button to return to the *Transmitter Configure* window.
- 11. Click the **Save** key to save new DECtalk card *Amplitude* settings.
- NOTE: 3. After the *Save* key is clicked, the new settings replace the old values. The new DECtalk amplitude settings are downloaded to the associated DECtalk card. Downloading time ranges from one minute to a several minutes depending on the size of the current broadcast message. The downloading process does not start until the end of the current broadcast message is reached.
 - 12. Return to step 2 and repeat the measurement process for the same selected transmitter until the respective tone amplitude generated by that specific DECtalk card, and measured at the associated ASM card output, equals that measured and recorded in step 5.

7.2.4 DECtalk Synthesized Voice Output Level Adjustment

NOTE: 1. The Voice Amplitude setting has no effect on the voice level output. The audio level output of the DECtalk card is controlled by the Volume setting under Voice Parameters.

- 1. Observe the VU meter to ensure peak deflection is approximately **0** (±2.0). If adjustment is required, go to step 2. If no adjustment is needed, go to step 12.
- 2. Click the *Transmitters* menu, then select the **Transmitter Configure** window (see Section 3, Figure 21, of the *Site Operator's Manual*).
- 3. Click **Amplitudes**.
- 4. Move the **Voice Amplitude** slider to **25**.

NOTE: 2.

- All CRS output level measurements and alignments should be made with the AM-48 Test Set connected to the appropriate ASM card output.
- 5. Click the **OK** button to return to the *Transmitter Configure* window.
- 6. Click Voice Parameters.
- 7. Move the **Volume** slider to **25** (a good starting point).
- 8. Click the **OK** button to return to the *Transmitter Configure* window.
- 9. Click the **Save** hot key to save the new DECtalk synthesized voice amplitudes.

- **NOTE:** 3. After the **Save** key is clicked, the new settings replaces the old values. The new DECtalk amplitude settings are downloaded to the associated DECtalk card. Downloading time can range from one to several minutes depending on the size of the current broadcast message. The downloading process does not start until the end of the current broadcast message is reached.
 - 10. Observe the VU meter to ensure peak deflection is approximately **0** (±2.0).
 - 11. Repeat steps 6, through 10, as necessary, to obtain proper level.
 - 12. Repeat the four DECtalk card output level adjustments in sections 7.2.1, 7.2.2, 7.2.3, and 7.2.4 on every added DECtalk card output channel in the CRS. Remember, ACP channel select 1 corresponds to ASM card 1 and transmitter 1, channel select 2, corresponds to ASM card 2 and transmitter 2, etc.

NOTE: 4. At the completion of the alignment procedure, disconnect the test equipment and return the system to normal operation.

7.2.5 Live Voice and Digitized Voice Output Level Adjustment

The output level of live voice and digitized voice is controlled by the microphone volume Mic. control on the front of the ACP. When the index mark of the microphone volume control knob is set to the Auto position, voice volume is automatically adjusted by the Symetrix 425 Voice Processor. A positive "click" is felt when this mode is selected. When the microphone volume control is not set to the Auto position, voice volume is manually controlled. Voice output level is displayed using the VU meter on the front of the ACP.

7.2.6 Matching the CRS Outputs for BUL Operation

For BUL, the operator can adjust the **Tone** volume control on the front of the ACP to adjust the output level for the alert tones, transmitter transfer tones, and NWRSAME tones. During BUL, alert tones and transmitter transfer tones are generated by the ACP. NWRSAME tones are

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generated by the NWRSAME. The live voice output level is controlled by the **Mic** volume control on the front of the ACP.